

The County of Centre

PROCLAMATION

NUMBER 06 OF 2015

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect is a complex and ongoing problem in our society, affecting many children here in Centre County each and every day; and

WHEREAS, every child is entitled to be loved, cared for, nurtured, protected and be free from neglect, verbal, sexual, emotional and *physical* abuse, and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of every adult who comes in contact with a child to protect that child's inalienable right to a safe and nurturing childhood; and

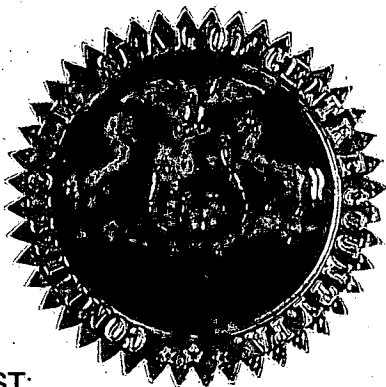
WHEREAS, Centre County has dedicated individuals and organizations who work daily to counter the problem of child maltreatment and to help parents obtain the assistance they need; and

WHEREAS, our communities are stronger when all citizens become aware of the negative effect of child maltreatment and its prevention and become involved in supporting parents to raise their children in a safe, nurturing environment; and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships among families, community members, social service agencies, schools, religious and civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, medical facilities and the business community; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Centre County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim the month of April 2015 as "*Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Month*" in Centre County and urges all citizens of Centre County to work together to increase their efforts to support families and keep children safe.

ADOPTED this 7th day of April, 2015



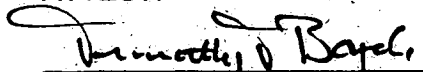
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